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**By ECF**

Honorable Naomi Reice Buchwald  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, New York 10007

Re: *United States v. Latie Whitley*  
04 Cr. 1381 (NRB)

Dear Judge Buchwald:


I write to respectfully request that the Court recommend to the Bureau of Prisons that Mr. Whitley serve the remainder of his sentence at the Federal Correctional Complex in Yazoo, Mississippi (FCC Yazoo City). Mr. Whitley has family in Mississippi, and would like to be designated at a facility that offers the job training program, UNICOR, which would provide him the opportunity to gain skills and employment while serving the remainder of his sentence. FCC Yazoo City is one of very few federal prisons that continue to offer UNICOR. That institution includes both low- and medium-security facilities; Mr. Whitley was previously designated to FCI Ray Brook, which is a medium-security facility.

As the Court is aware, Mr. Whitley has been held for an extended period of time at the MDC in Brooklyn. There, he has been unable to receive the training he otherwise would have received at a designated facility. He is looking forward to transferring to a regular federal prison as soon as the BOP resumes the regular movement of prisoners. In preparation for his transfer, I respectfully request that the Court recommend his re-designation to FCC Yazoo City.

The Court declines to make a recommendation with respect to Mr. Whitley's designation as it is long after the imposition of sentence on Mr. Whitley.

Respectfully submitted,

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NAOMI REICE BUCHWALD  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
Dated: July 15, 2020